O’DOWD COUNSELING

- Eight Full-time Counselors
- Academic Support Services
- Assigned by last name:
  - Ms. Robin Lau
  - Ms. Jen Jeanty
  - Ms. Anto Sweeney
  - Mr. Marc Dominguez
  - Ms. Meredith Parry
  - Ms. Betty Uribe
  - Ms. Fran Warmerdam
  - Ms. Juliet Arechiga
Academic Counseling

We provide the following services:

- Assistance to students in the selection of appropriate courses for each school year.
- Meetings with parents, students and teachers when appropriate to discuss any concerns.
- Referrals to educational therapists, tutors, support services and outside testing agencies when necessary.
- Scheduling conferences with students who are in academic jeopardy.
Academic Counseling

We provide information about:

- Courses and graduation requirements for Bishop O'Dowd High School.
- PSAT/SAT/ACT and Subject tests and results
- Summer school, accelerated or special talent programs for students, online community college courses
- Appropriate study strategies and techniques.
- College search and application process.
Course Selection - Important Dates

- **Jan 8** – Course Requests info emailed
- **Jan 22** – Course requests completed online
- **Jan 27 – mid-March**
  Counselors meet with each student to discuss course selections and complete course request worksheet for 2021 – 2022 classes
- **March 26th** – AP Challenge and Science Challenge forms due
Graduation Requirements

- English: 4 years
- Religious Studies: 4 years
- Mathematics: 3 years
- Social Studies: 3 years
- Fine Arts: 1 year
- World Language: 2 years
- Physical Education: 2 years
- Science: 2 years (life/physical)
AP & Honors Courses

Provide additional challenge in areas of interest

Earn an extra honor point into GPA for the following courses:

AP courses
Honors English 2
Honors Pre-Calculus
Multivariable Calculus
Honors Chemistry
Honors third-year languages
Advanced Placement (AP)

- Partnership between high schools and colleges
- Students may earn college credit
- Course guidelines developed by the College Board
- 90% of the nation's colleges grant credit
- Students must meet prerequisites for individual courses
- Test fee due in November
- Exam required by O'Dowd - during May
Advanced Placement Courses

- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Environmental Science
- AP Physics 1
- AP Calculus AB & BC
- AP Statistics
- AP Computer Science
- AP Computer Science Principles
- AP English Language
- AP English Literature
- AP French, Spanish Language
- AP Studio Art (2D, 3D, Drawing)
- AP Psychology
- AP Human Geography
- AP US Government
- AP Comparative Government
- AP Macroeconomics
- AP US History
### AP Faculty

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SCIENCE CHALLENGE - 11TH & 12TH GR

- Science offers a **Challenge option** – for students who don’t meet minimum requirements
  - Challenge offered for Chem, H. Chem & Physics
  - Challenge forms available in online course catalog

Challenge Forms due by **March 26th**
Challenge results released in April
Science Concurrent Enrollment

10th grade students may take
★ Biology, and
★ H Chem, Chem or Earth

Science, concurrently

Students must complete a Concurrent Enrollment form and submit it electronically by **March 26th**, found in the Course Catalog.
10th Grade Courses

- **English** – 1 year
- **Religion** – 2 semesters
  - Christian Scriptures/Catholic Experience
- **Mathematics** – 1 year
  - Mathematics course options vary
- **Science** – 1 year – Biology
- **World Language** – 1 year
- **Physical Education** – 1 year
- **Electives** – 1 year; could include study, double science, social science or a fine art
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- **Religion** – 2 semesters
  - Christian Morality/Religion Elective
- **Mathematics** – 1 year
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- **Science** – 1 year
  - Chemistry, Earth Science, Engineering Physics, Physics, Electives
- **World Language** – 1 year
- **U.S. History** – 1 year
- **Electives** – 1 year; could include study
12th Grade Courses

- **English** - 1 year or 2 semester electives
- **Religion** - 2 semesters
- **Social Studies** -
  Amer. Govt/Econ or AP Government
- **Electives** - 4 years (should consider college requirements); could include study, TA, or leadership group
Is Online for You?

O’Dowd Possibilities
• Christian Morality
• Ethics & the Media

College of the Siskiyous
(college credit only)
• Sociology
• Anthropology
• Humanities
• Psychology

• Available during school year or summer school

• Limited to one class per semester
• 10th, 11th & 12th Grade
• Discuss this possibility with your counselor
Summer Advancement Possibilities: why?

- Precalculus
- Alg 2/Trigonometry
- Geometry
- Christian Morality Online
- Ethics & Media Online
What to Expect for ALL

★ January – Consider Honors courses (may include exam) and AP courses

★ January – Complete schedule requests online

★ February – Meet w/ Counselor

★ Ongoing - Self-refer
Meet the AP Teachers!

**WHEN:** Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week, during after school office hours.

**WHY:** Ask questions about summer work, workload, content, etc.

**CONSIDER:** Balance, extracurriculars, time-management skills
Resources for ALL

- **Course Catalog** - Emailed to students and parents on Jan 8th.
- **Naviance** - college & career planning
- **Counselor** - requirements/advice
- **Teachers** – ask about placement
- **AP teachers** – Available over the next three days, during afternoon office hours (links shared in email to student and family)
Meet the AP teachers

USE Office Hours to find out about AP courses!!

- Ask questions about:
  - Course content
  - Summer work
  - Hours of study per week
  - Projects/tests/essays
THANKS!

Any questions?